**Weekly Question & Answer Session**

with The Noble Shaykh Ḥasan ibn ‘Abd Al-Wahhāb Marzūq al-Bannā (حفظه الله)

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The following are the questions presented to the Shaykh with the corresponding minute marker from the audio:

1. I have a father who sometimes prays and other times does not bother to pray and once in a while he goes out to drink, but is something he does rarely. I am deeply worried about my father and his condition, but he is a proud man and I find myself sometimes shying away from giving him advice, having spoken to him before, and he knows what he is doing is wrong, but he continues to do so. How can I, as his daughter advise him? How should I be with him and what can I possibly tell him to make him understand? And another issue is that I am getting married soon, I am unsure if he can still be my ṭalī if he is known by the family only to drink sometimes and to abandon the prayer other times. [00:00:41]

2. My husband uses a quote from the Prophet’s sallAllāhu ʿalayhi wa sallam last sermon to justify why he should not provide and maintain me. “If they abide by your right, then to them belongs the right to be fed and clothed in kindness.” He says that his right as a husband should be given first before he gives the right to the wife. If the wife is disobedient and does not give him his right first, then he believes he does not have to provide for her. What is the meaning of this statement? In what circumstances does the husband’s responsibility of providing and maintaining his wife stop? If he is claiming she is disobedient, does it negate his responsibility towards his wife? [00:11:00]
3. I am on state benefits so my income comes from the government to look after me and my five children. I’m down as a single parent and have to go every few months to explain what I am doing to get back into work, I’ve been on benefits for 10 years. My husband works in the *da’wah* field full time and his income comes from donations from the general public. He has had legal right to remain in the country and was given one year, but he has made this run out and not put another application in, therefore he is here illegally. Is this type of income permissible? And I’m aware I could be imprisoned for taking benefits whilst I’m not a single parent, but it is like I am in reality as my husband does not provide for me or my kids as a sole bread winner. *Jazākum Allāhu khayr*. [00:34:40]

4. *Assalāmu ‘alaykum wa raḥmatulāḥi wa barakātu*, I live in the UK and I have a question regarding my marriage. I am *Ṣalafi* and I’ve been married for approximately 6 months. My husband does not work and has never worked. When I married him he had been accepted for a job, however this did not go ahead and he has not applied for a job since. His father provides for me as well for his older brother, I’m not comfortable with this as I was under the impression that he would be working and providing for me. I have discussed this with him and he has said, his father wants to provide and he is waiting for his previous offer to go through again. [00:46:18] (next time we will answer the second part of this question, *In shā’ Allāh*)